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A SPECIAL TEAM HAS BEEN FORMED TO KILL MARIO F I R M E N I C H , HEAD OF THE MONTONEROS, AND OTHER ARGENTINE SUBVERSIVE LEADERS WHO ARE ABROAD.

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AN OPERATION WAS MOUNTED IN EARLY MAY TO TRY TO TRICK FIRMENICH, WHO WAS THOUGHT TO BE HIDING IN SPAIN, INTO ATTENDING AN ALLEGED URGENT MEETING OF SUBVERSIVES IN MADRID. THE TEAM USED A MONTONERO, WHO, UNBEKNOWN TO FIRMENICH, HAD BEEN DETAINED TO TRY TO COMMUNICATE WITH FIRMENICH AND URGE HIM TO COME TO THE MEETING. FIRMENICH, HOWEVER, EVIDENTLY SUSPECTED A TRAP AND FAILED TO SHOW. ARGENTINE SECURITY PERSONNEL CONSIDER IT HIGHLY POSSIBLE THAT FIRMENICH SUBSEQUENTLY FLED TO LIBYA. EFFORTS AGAINST FIRMENICH HAVE BEEN TEMPORARILY ABANDONED, AND PLANS ARE NOW BEING FORMULATED TO ASSASSINATE RODOLFO G A L I M B E R T I , A MONTONERO LEADER WHO IS BELIEVED TO BE IN MEXICO.

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3. [redacted] "GROUP TWO," [redacted] 3.3(b)(1)
[redacted] IS ASSISTING IN THE PROPOSED OPERATIONS AGAINST SUBVERSIVES 3.3(b)(1)
ABROAD BY PROVIDING INFORMATION AND OTHER ASSISTANCE. [redacted] 3.3(b)(1)
"GROUP TWO" INCLUDES PERSONNEL FROM THE NAVY, ARMY 601ST INTELLIGENCE
BATTALION, FEDERAL POLICE, AND SIDE. THE ACTUAL TEAM TO IMPLEMENT
THE OPERATIONS IS COMPOSED OF PERSONNEL FROM ALL THESE ENTITIES BUT
IS DOMINATED BY THE NAVY. ([redacted] COMMENT: THE ABOVE GROUP PROBABLY 3.3(b)(1)
REFERS TO GROUP TWO OF THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER.)

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1977 ARMY INTELLIGENCE (G-2) ORDERED THE FORMATION OF A TEAM TO CARRY
OUT OPERATIONS AGAINST KEY LEADERS OF THE MONTONEROS AND THE PEOPLE'S
REVOLUTIONARY ARMY (ERP) WHO ARE PRESENTLY RESIDING IN EUROPE.
INDIVIDUALS SELECTED FOR THE TEAM WERE SPECIALISTS IN ASSASSINATION
AND KIDNAPPING OPERATIONS AND INCLUDED PERSONNEL FROM THE ARGENTINE
NAVY, ARMY AND SIDE.

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6. FOLLOWING THE FORMATION OF THE TEAM, REQUESTS WERE MADE TO FRENCH, ITALIAN AND SPANISH AUTHORITIES FOR APPROVAL TO CARRY OUT THE OPERATIONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES. THE REQUESTS, HOWEVER, WERE FIRMLY TURNED DOWN BY OFFICIALS OF FRANCE AND ITALY WHERE MOST OF THE KEY ARGENTINE SUBVERSIVES ARE BELIEVED TO BE RESIDING. SPANISH AUTHORITIES, WHILE ONCE RECEPTIVE TO ARGENTINE OPERATIONS IN SPAIN, HAVE RECENTLY BECOME LESS COOPERATIVE, DUE PRIMARILY TO SPAIN'S INTERNAL POLITICAL PROBLEMS. AS A RESULT OF THE RESPONSE FROM THE FRENCH, ITALIANS AND SPANISH, GENERAL CARLOS M A R T I N E Z , CHIEF OF G-2, ORDERED THAT THE PROPOSED OPERATIONS AGAINST ARGENTINE SUBVERSIVES IN EUROPE BE SUSPENDED. HOWEVER, THE MATTER WILL BE RAISED AGAIN WITH EUROPEAN AUTHORITIES, IF CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE, AT A LATER DATE.

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